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SUBJECT: WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE - JAPANESE POSITION ON GRAIN RESERVES

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1. AT TIME JAPANESE DELEGATION TOLD BELL AND PLACKE THEY
COULD APPROVE EC AMENDMENT TO SECOND OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH
2 IN WFC SECRETARIAT DRAFT RESOLUTION 7 ON FOOD SECURITY,
JAPANESE DELEGATION SAID THEIR ACCEPTANCE QUALIFIED ON
BASIS FOLLOWING POINTS (WHICH WERE IN PAPER LEFT WITH BELL
AND PLACKE):

A. IT IS MOST DESIRABLE THAT AS MANY COUNTRIES AS POSSIBLE,
INCLUDING MAJOR IMPORTING, EXPORTING AND PRODUCING COUNTRIES,
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INCLUDING USSR AND CHINA, AND IN PARTICULAR ALL DEVELOPED

COUNTRIES, COULD PARTICIPATE IN NEGOTIATION ON AN INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM OF NATIONAL GRAIN RESERVES.

B. JAPAN CONSIDERS THAT SUCH NEGOTIATION HAS CLOSE RELATIONSHIPS WITH MTN.

C. IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE EFFECTIVE OPERATION OF SUCH A SYSTEM, NORMAL TRADE PATTERNS SHOULD NOT BE DISTORTED. THE SYSTEM NEEDS TO ACCOMMODATE THE POSITIONS OF BOTH EXPORTERS AND IMPORTERS IN A BALANCED MANNER.

D. AT THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE, IT SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT TO LIMIT OURSELVES TO AN AGREEMENT UPON OUR READINESS FOR INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS AND LEAVE ALL OTHER MATTERS TO FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS.

2. IN JUDGMENT OF US DELEGATION, ABOVE POINTS, PARTICULARLY (C) INDICATE SHIFT IN JAPANESE POSITION FROM EARLIER DISCUSSIONS ABOUT WHERE FUTURE GRAIN RESERVES AGREEMENT MIGHT BE NEGOTIATED. IN EARLIER DISCUSSIONS, JAPANESE STRESSED NEED TO CARRY OUT NEGOTIATIONS IN MTN AND IMPLIED THIS WOULD BE THEIR MAJOR AGRICULTURAL CONCESSION IN COMING MTN. JAPANESE NOW SAYING THEY CAN AGREE TO SEPARATE GRAIN RESERVES AGREEMENT IF IT BALANCED BETWEEN MAJOR IMPORTERS AND EXPORTERS AND IF IT IS NEGOTIATED IN CLOSE RELATIONSHIP TO MTN.

3. AT TIME PAPER GIVEN US DELS, JAPANESE DELEGATION STRESSED THEY HAD RECEIVED NEW INSTRUCTIONS FROM TOKYO AFTER THEY HAD SUBMITTED FULL TEXT OF SECRETARY KISSINGER'S NOVEMBER 5 SPEECH BEFORE WFC. DUE TO POSITION AGREED WITHIN USG PRIOR DEPARTURE WFC DELEGATION FROM WASHINGTON, US DELS DID NOT RESPOND JAPANESE PAPER OR COMMENTS. VOLPE

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